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For: PSEUDO ISOTHERMAL CATALYTIC REACTOR FOR EXOTHERMIC OR
ENDOTHERMIC HETEROGENEOUS CHEMICAL REACTIONS

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In the Office Action of December 6, 2004, Claims 9-18 inclusive were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-10 of co-pending application 09/852,014. A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith thereby obviating this rejection.

In the Office Action Claims 9-18 were provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-12 of co-pending application 10/275,772. It is submitted that Claims 9-18 inclusive would not be obvious in view of the subject matter of Claims 1-12 of the co-pending application '772. The details set forth in the present claims with respect to the manner of attachment of the parts would not be the least bit obvious to one skilled in the art. The differences in assembling the component parts as